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Subject:

Request for Updated Filing Receipt

Attached is a Request for Updated filing Receipt re S/N 09/742,171 to reflect a Claim of Domestic Priority, which was claimed in a prior Preliminary Amendment and is not reflected in an updated Filing Receipt or on PAIR. Note that the Issue Fees are due 03/07/06.

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### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application for:

Steven Teig, et al.

Serial No.: 09/742,171

Filing Date: 12/19/2000

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

QUANTIFYING THE QUALITY OF PLACEMENT CONFIGURATIONS IN A PARTITIONED REGION OF AN INTEGRATED-CIRCUIT LAYOUT Examiner: Thompson, Annette M.

Group Art Unit: 2825

### REQUEST FOR UPDATED FILING RECEIPT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. BOX 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Applicants hereby request an Updated Filing Receipt which reflects a Claim of Benefit to U.S. Patent No. 6,826,737, having Serial No. 09/732,181, filed on December 06, 2000. The Applicants have previously filed a Second Preliminary Amendment to the above Application on January 16, 2002, adding such Claim of Benefit to the Application.

Applicants note that the Second Preliminary Amendment was received by the OIPE on February 13, 2002, as evidenced by the PTO Stamp, a copy of which is attached hereto. Applicants further note that the Claim of Benefit to U.S. Patent No. 6,826,737 for the Application is not reflected in the PAIR system.

Applicants believe there is no fee associated with this Request for Updated Filing Receipt; however, in the unlikely event that the Patent Office determines that additional fee is required, Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1128, referencing SPLX.P0017.

Respectfully submitted,

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### SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

#### IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the "Cross Reference to Related Applications" on page 1, lines 1-11, and insert therein a new "Claim of Benefit to Prior Applications" as follows:

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Application entitled "Recursive Partitioning Placement Method and
Apparatus," filed on December 6, 2000, and having the Serial No.

09/732,181.--

### **REMARKS**

This Second Preliminary Amendment supplies the serial number of the parent application in the claim of benefit. The original claim of benefit was included in the first Preliminary Amendment that was submitted with the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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